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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR CHARGED PARTICLE BEAM EXPOSURE

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Sir:

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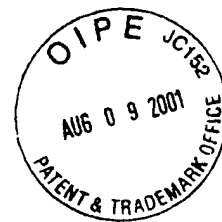
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2. Declaration and Power of Attorney;
3. Check #4132 for \$950.00 (Filing Fee);
4. 21 sheets drawings (Figs. 1-33);
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Rewrite claim 13 as follows:

13. (Amended) The apparatus for charged particle beam exposure according to claim 9,

wherein said exposure dose data is converted into a binary number, and connection is made between output of the binary number, each digit thereof having a weight at a power of 2, and a plurality of said charged particle beam sources in said matrix state, each having a weight in a ratio of a power of 2, such that the weights of each digit of the output and each said charged particle beam source coincide with each other.

MARKED UP VERSION OF REWRITTEN CLAIMS

13. (Amended) The apparatus for charged particle beam exposure according to [any one of] claim 9 [and 10],

wherein said exposure dose data is converted into a binary number, and connection is made between output of the binary number, each digit thereof having a weight at a power of 2, and a plurality of said charged particle beam sources in said matrix state, each having a weight in a ratio of a power of 2, such that the weights of each digit of the output and each said charged particle beam source coincide with each other.